

There is little change in the cyclone which covers China, Japan and the neighbouring seas. A low pressure, extended from a Malaya across Borneo to the Caroline Islands. A tropical depression is centred about 250 miles E of S of Manila, moving NW or N. 5 to 10 knots.

Today's forecast:—Moderate onshore NE winds, fair.

Yesterday's weather:—

Maximum: 82.3 deg. Fah.

Minimum: 89.5 deg. Fah.

Max. Rel. Humidity: 85%.

Rainfall: Nil.

Sunshine: 7.7 hours.

Pinched Someone's Fanny

Larceny of a fanny

may lead to six weeks imprisonment with hard labour on first conviction.

Two Royal Naval Dockyard employees received that sentence when they appeared before the Magistrate at Kowloon Court yesterday, one on a charge of larceny of two fannies and the other on a charge of receiving the two fannies, knowing them to be stolen or unlawfully obtained.

Sub-Inspr. Cecil Askew explained that a fanny was a metal container in the shape of a pin used principally for holding food.

Remarked the Magistrate: "I was wondering what on earth it could be."

Ma Chan-hung, rickshaw coolie

Delivery Of Mails

Complaints have been made to the B.O.A.C. that London air mail arriving in Hong Kong by B.O.A.C. flying-boats is not being delivered the same day.

When first defendant claimed that he had no previous record, sentence was deferred by Latimer to 11.15 a.m. today pending police investigation.

tion points out that once the mail has been taken over by the Government Postal Department, B.O.A.C. responsibility for it ends. At the present time it is necessary to run to a schedule which cannot bring the

Thereafter the mail has to be unloaded, taken over by the Postal Department, brought back to Hong Kong and sorted before it is ready for delivery.

A Government spokesman said that so far as the Post Office was concerned it was impossible to deliver these London mails the same day because at the present there could be only two deliveries.

day—early morning and early afternoon. It would be necessary for the aircraft carrying the mails to arrive in Hong Kong not later than noon for mail to be delivered the same day.

He pointed out that most of the complaints against non-delivery on the day of arrival had been made by businessmen and added that even if a special delivery were to be put on, it would not be possible under

safely. Captain Clark, who commanded the ship throughout the war, received the O.B. for his able handling during the attack. Assistant-Stew.

Wedding

The first R.A.F. wedding to take place in Shanghai was celebrated, at a reception in the club premises of the Royal Air Force Association of Shanghai, The Dome, Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank Building, when Flein-

Lighter Side Of Army Life

Officer B. A. Maylin, 290 Stag
Post, Royal Air Force, Shangha
son of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Maylin
of Hitchin, Herts., England, to
gether with his bride Miss Olga
Sakharoff, daughter of the late
Mr. Nicholas Sakharoff and Mrs.

Among the official guests were Mr. A. G. N. Ogden, H.B.M. Consul-General, Mrs. and Miss Ann Ogden, Mr. G. W. Aldington, Wing Commander J. Stewart and Officers of the R.A.F., Mr. J. A. Bonnyman, President of the Zerk Club, Col. A. S. Andreff, Service Military Attache, Mr. and Mrs. L. Stark, Mr. A. Kendall-Ward, Mr. K. Wiersum and Committee of the R.A.F. Association, and many others.

The groom will be remaining in Shanghai where he will be joined by the Finance Office of H.B.M. Consulate. Throughout the war he was attached to Bomber Command R.A.F., and has taken part in some 68 operations over Europe and elsewhere.

Quick Action Saved Merchant From Kidnappers' Hands

DES VOEUX RD. HOLD-UP

Even the Central District in which one might call broad daylight is not safe these days. A Chinese couple were robbed of some \$200 by four men, armed with a revolver and a dagger, outside Gilman's Bazaar, five minutes walk along Des Voeux Road from the Gloucester, at 9 o'clock last night.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

Outward Mails

CHRISTMAS MAIL BY SEA SERVICE TO UNITED KINGDOM.

Christmas Letter and Parcel Mails for United Kingdom will close per s.s. "Empress of Australia" as follows:

Parcels—Saturday 9/11 5 p.m.
Reg.—Saturday 9/11 5 p.m.
Ord.—Tuesday 12/11 Noon.

Kowloon C.P.O.
Parcels—Saturday 9/11 4 p.m.
Reg.—Saturday 9/11 4 p.m.
Ord.—Tuesday 12/11 11 a.m.

Postage rate (by Sea only) for Christmas Cards in open covers bearing not more than five written words is five cents.

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcel Post close 30 minutes earlier than the time stated below:

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 6

Airmail for Canton and Shanghai (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 9:30 a.m. (Ord.) 10 a.m.

Strait and Calcutta (Binfield) (Reg.) 9:30 a.m. (Ord.) 10 a.m.

Macao, Tientsin and Shekhi (Kwong Pook Cheung) 11 a.m.

Shanghai (Wing Sang) Noon.

Manila P.I. (Halekaka) 2 p.m.

Airmail for Saigon, Calcutta, Delhi and London (By Air) Kowloon C.P.O. (Reg.) 1 p.m. (Ord.) 1:30 p.m. G.P.O. (Reg.) 1:30 p.m. (Ord.) 2 p.m.

Airmail for Bangkok, Singapore, Colombo, Surabaya, Sydney and Auckland (B.O.A.C. Plane) Kowloon C.P.O. (Reg.) 2 p.m. (Ord.) 2:30 p.m. G.P.O. (Reg.) 2:30 p.m. (Ord.) 3 p.m.

Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America via Vancouver B.C. (Bellphone) Kowloon C.P.O. (Par.) 2 p.m. (Reg.) 2 p.m. (Ord.) 2:30 p.m. G.P.O. (Par.) 2:30 p.m. (Reg.) 2:30 p.m. (Ord.) 3 p.m.

Macao, Tientsin and Shekhi (Kwong Sai) 3:30 p.m.

Kowloon (Kwan Lui) 4 p.m.

Kowloon (By Train) 4 p.m.

THURSDAY, NOV. 7

Swatow and Amoy (Hong Kiang) 10 a.m.

Tamkang (Kwongchowwan) (Yan Tai) Noon.

Airmail for Canton, Amoy and Poochow (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3:30 p.m.

Airmail for Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tsingtao and Peiping (C.A.T.C. Plane) (Reg.) 3 p.m. (Ord.) 3:30 p.m.

Macao, Tientsin and Shekhi (Kwong Sai) 3:30 p.m.

Kowloon (Kwok Hoi) 4 p.m.

Canton (Sai) 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, NOV. 8

Saigon and Calcutta (Esang) 10 a.m.

Haiphong (Bust) 10 a.m.

Macao, Tientsin and Shekhi (Kwong Pook Cheung) 11 a.m.

Shanghai (Hupoh) 2 p.m.

Strait, Batavia and Macassar (Pulcon) 2 p.m.

Airmail for Singapore, Colombo, Rangoon, Calcutta, Delhi, Johannesburg, Cairo, London, Sydney and Auckland (By Air) (Reg.) 1:30 p.m. (Ord.) 2 p.m.

SATURDAY, NOV. 9

Airmail for Canton and Shanghai (C.N.A.C. Plane) (Reg.) 9:30 a.m. (Ord.) 10 a.m.

Swatow and Bangkok (Hiran) Noon.

Campaign In Shantung

Peiping, Nov. 5. Chinese Government troops began a full scale campaign for the entire Shantung province yesterday while across the Gulf of Chihli the Nationalists were swiftly pushing the Communists from Luotung Peninsula. As Government forces continued to assault Chiefo, other armies launched a campaign against the Tsingtao-Tsinan railroad, 120 miles to the South. The Communists were reported to have suffered more than 2,000 casualties and lost more than 1,000 rifles when the Nationalists on Monday captured Pingta, 54 miles north of Tsingtao.—Associated Press.

Vegetable Prices

The following retail prices were quoted at the Government Wholesale Vegetable Market in Kowloon yesterday:

	1st	2nd	3rd
Beans String White	44	44	44
Beans String Green	44	44	44
Beans French	44	44	44
Beans of Red Plant	44	44	44
Cabbage Chinese Shanghai	38	38	38
Cabbage Chinese White	38	38	38
Cabbage Tientsin	40	40	40
Carrots	65	65	65
Celery	86	86	86
Cauliflower	66	66	66
Chili Green	75	75	75
Cucumber Green	29	29	29
Lettuce	35	35	35
Onion Spacing	20	20	20
Papaya Green	21	21	21
Peas Sweet	31	31	31
Pumpkins	—	—	—
Spinach Baby	53	53	53
Tomatoes Green	4	4	4
Turnip Chinese	22	22	22
Watercress	84	84	84
Yam	33	33	33

FOOD, FUEL COSTS

The Labour Officer announces Food & Fuel Costs for the week ending Nov. 2 as follows:—
Rice, Flour & Peas 7.2 cwt. \$14.50
Vegetable 1.9 1.20
Salt Cabbage 2 2.00
Oil 1.610
Tea 3 3.00
Salt Fish 3 3.00
Fish 3 3.00
Pork 3 3.00
Pineapple 10.0 1.200
Bean Cured 14 pieces 7.00
Total \$12.600

SHIP ON FIRE

With flames leaping from one of its holds the Liberty ship Jacob Gollinger sailed up the Loire estuary today and safely landed its cargo of coal at Nantes.

The ship which was on its way from the United States, had a fire break out on board but on arrival at Nantes the situation was mastered and the cargo landed.—Reuter.

PEIPING AS CAPITAL?

Tientsin, Nov. 5. A group of well-known lawyers, writers and professors in North China have begun a new campaign for establishment of the nation's capital at Peiping. They are agitating for inclusion of a resolution to this effect at the forthcoming National Assembly and its incorporation in the proposed new constitution.—Associated Press.

How quick action by the police in conjunction with Commandos on the border of the New Territories in closing all roads leading to China four months ago saved a prominent Chinese tea merchant from being taken away from Hong Kong, was recounted by Mr. A. J. Clifford, Crown Counsel, yesterday when prosecuting four Chinese before Sir Henry Blackall, Chief Justice, at the Criminal Sessions on charges of kidnapping and forcible detention.

All the accused, Chau Sai-ying, Cheng Ming, Li Kwok-ying and So Ka-tak, pleaded not guilty. Li was additionally charged with possession of a revolver, to which he pleaded guilty.

Mr. Hinshing Lo is appearing for Li, while the other accused are not legally represented.

According to the Crown, the merchant, Ku Wing-ming, was waiting at a tram stop at the junction of Wongneichong and Leighton Hill Roads at 10 a.m. on July 9 when Chau and Cheng approached him and, revealing revolvers tucked in belts, marched him into a nearby taxi.

The merchant saw Li and So

(third and fourth accused) dressed in Chinese Army uniform in the car. In the car So told complainant that they had been sent by the Gendarmerie in Canton to arrest him.

Continuing, Mr. Clifford said the taxi was ordered to proceed to Wanchai waterfront where they took the merchant by sampan to Kowloon. After an hour the sampan reached Yau-mai and the fourth accused went ashore to get another taxi.

While detained in the hold of the sampan with his ankle chained, the merchant was told by first accused that he was going to be taken to Chinese territory but that his release might be "managed" if he was willing to pay \$170,000.

The merchant was advised to write a letter to his family telling them not to report to the police. The fourth accused came back with a taxi and put the merchant into the vehicle, which was driven towards the New Territories at the instruction of third accused.

Meanwhile, Mr. Clifford added, the police had ordered all roads blocked and the car was eventually stopped by three Commandos just before the border.

A loaded revolver was found on third accused.

After evidence by the merchant and two Commandos, the case was adjourned until this morning.

Festing Reception

The esteem and regard in which Major-General F. W. Festing is held by the local Catholic community was testified by a large gathering at the Catholic Centre yesterday afternoon to bid the departing General farewell.

The guest of honour was met on his arrival by the Acting Catholic Bishop of Hong Kong, Mons. A. Riantini, the Executive Secretary of the Centre, Rev. Fr. Maestrini, and the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Admado.

Guests present included the C-in-C British Pacific Fleet, Vice Admiral Sir Denis Boyd, and the Hon. Dr. Kehily. There was also a large number of Service personnel.

Eulogistic references to the help that the General had given to the Centre and the esteem and respect in which he was held by Catholics in Hong Kong were made by all the speakers.

In a brief reply, General Festing said he was greatly touched by the warmth of the welcome extended to him. The Catholic Centre was a boon to the Servicemen away from home, and he was proud to have been associated with it. On behalf of all the Services he expressed thanks to its organisers and to all those responsible for running it.

Yesterday's function coincided with the first anniversary of the opening of the Centre, and the occasion was taken by the Secretary, Rev. Fr. Maestrini, to give a brief review of its activities for the past year.

Inspector H. Sell prosecuted.

HANDBAG SNATCHED

Mrs. Agnes MacMillan, of the Central Fire Brigade Station, had her handbag containing \$12.70 and personal papers snatched in Jubilee Street. The culprit was caught by a district watchman.

Before Mr. H.G. Sheldon K.C. at the Central Magistracy yesterday, Chan Hung, 25, unemployed, was sentenced to 18 months' hard labour.

Inspector H. Sell prosecuted.

"Lisbon Maru" Case Adjourned

On the application of Mr. Takahashi Mikio, Counsel for the Defence, the War Crime Trial of Kyoda Shigeru, master of the "Lisbon Maru," was adjourned sine die yesterday.

When the Court resumed yesterday morning, Major Vine presiding, Officer, indicated that the case for the prosecution was closed, as all attempts to locate Mr. F. B. Miles, of the American Club had failed and there was no other witness to call.

Mr. Takahashi then applied to the Court for an adjournment on the ground that certain documents which he had applied for had not arrived from Tokyo.

Major Vine objected to the application on the ground that the defence had, at the start of the trial, stated that it was ready to proceed. While agreeing that it was the custom in British Courts

to give every latitude to the defence, Major Vine stated that the Court must ask Mr. Takahashi, who had failed to take advantage of the rules of procedure, to show that the documents in question were vital to the issue.

Mr. Takahashi replied that the documents concerned regulations by the Japanese Army governing the authority of a master of a transport ship and to wartime marine transport.

The Court was then closed to consider the point and on re-assembling, the President announced that the Court had decided, in view of the gravity of the charge laid against the accused, that every latitude and assistance be given the defence. A request would be made to the Conveying Body to send an immediate signal to Tokyo to enquire whether the documents asked for had been sent, and if not, that they be sent by safe hand at the earliest possible date.

The Court was then adjourned sine die subject to being re-assembled at short notice if the papers arrived in the meantime.

Money By False Pretences

For obtaining money by false pretences, Chan Hui, unemployed, was sentenced to one month's hard labour by Mr. H.G. Sheldon K.C. at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

According to Inspector H. Sell for the prosecution, defendant told the two complainants, Cheng Hoi and Lam Kui, that he could obtain employment for them on board a ship.

Defendant took complainants to have their photos taken. Outside Holland House, defendant took \$30 from each of them for "membership" in the Chinese Seamen's Guild. Defendant then walked into Holland House, telling complainants to wait.

After two hours defendant had failed to return. Later the same day, defendant was arrested in Chater Road.

HUNGER STRIKE

After two days and nights of starvation, the 1,700 Chinese repatriates from Java are still holding out on their "stay here" strike at the Aberdeen camp and To Yuen Hotel in the hope that the Netherlands Consulate in Hong Kong will agree to their demands of a lump sum payment of \$142 a day for the three years and eight months they were contracted to work in Java just before the Japanese occupation.

Following their six-hour sit down strike on Monday, the repatriates returned to their billets under police and Commando supervision and late last night the situation was reported by British police department officials to be "very quiet."

Money Market

Chinese National Currency was quiet but steady throughout yesterday. Business was done in futures at 94 1/2 cents to CNY1,000. Spot varied between \$1.18 and \$1.20, closing at the latter figure.

Gold opened at \$305 a tael and was steady throughout the day, fluctuating between the figure and \$315. At the close it was \$313.

There was a slight improvement in U.S. dollars which had buyers at \$4.82. Sterling was unchanged at \$15.60. Australian pounds had buyers at \$12.60.

Shanghai, Nov. 5.

Closing quotations were:—

Buying Selling
CN\$ CN\$
Gold per ounce 239.00 240.00
U.S. Dollar 4.110 4.160
Hong Kong Dollar 870 880
—Associated Press.

ELEC. ENGINEERING GRANTS

London, Nov. 4.

Grants to be made to assist candidates in electrical engineering, whose technical training was interrupted by military service, were announced by the Ministry of Labour today.

The grants will enable those with university degrees in electrical engineering, or qualified in other ways as graduates of the Institution of Electrical Engineers, to take a special 12-month course. Those without previous training in industry and only limited technical experience in the services will require a full two years' apprenticeship.—Reuter.

Amsterdam, Nov. 4.

G. J. Groot, 44-year-old Amsterdam perfume dealer, was today sentenced to death by a special court for betraying Jews to the Gestapo during the occupation.—Reuter.

SEAMAN CHARGED

A British seaman, Joseph Patrick Loughlin, was charged before Mr. F. K. d'Almada at the Central Magistracy yesterday on three counts of breaches of the traffic regulations.

It was alleged that defendant was caught driving a U.S. Naval Provost Marshal's jeep without permission, driving without due care and caution and without a licence.

Traffic Sub-Inspector Hidden said that defendant took the jeep from Chater Road. Defendant while turning the vehicle drove on the wrong side of the road, crashed into the railings and mounted the pavement, colliding with a concrete pillar. The vehicle was damaged to the extent of approximately \$500, and the railing to the extent of some \$300.

Defendant was cautioned by Mr. George She for a similar offence on Oct. 25.

Inspector Hidden asked for a serious view as it was defendant's second offence in a fortnight.

Taking into consideration that defendant had a fine war record, he was fined \$150 or a week's imprisonment.

POLICE DEPARTMENT NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the payment for hire of Taxi begins when the Taxi Meter Flag is lowered. The driver is authorised to lower his flag as soon as the Taxi leaves either its Garage or Parking Station.

C. H. SANSOM,
Acting Commissioner of Police.

Hongkong, November 5th, 1946.

URBAN COUNCIL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the intention of the Urban Council to exhume the remains of the deceased persons buried on sites near Island Lot No. 5100 King's Road and to rebury them in New Kowloon Cemetery No. 8 (Diamond Hill) Cemetery within 14 days of the publication of this notice.

R. W. H. MAYNARD,
Secretary, Urban Council.

Hongkong, November 6th, 1946.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that MR. M. H. LO has been appointed to High Per Procurator with effect from 24th October, 1946.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifty-fifth Ordinary Annual Meeting of the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Wednesday the 15th November, 1946, at Noon, for the purpose of confirming the appointment of the Board of Directors and receiving their Report together with Statements of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1941, and for the period 1st January, 1942 to 31st December, 1945.

By order of the Board of Directors,
C. E. TERRY,
Manager & Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th October, 1946.

Service Auction Room

Auctioneers, Surveyors, and Valuers, French Bank Bldg. A.B.B. de Souza, Auctioneers, Telephone 31857.

On View from Wednesday, the 8th November 1946

Terms: As Customary.

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Hong Kong St. George's Society

The annual lawn bowls match against St. Andrew's Society will take place at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club on Saturday, November 23. Members of the Society and other Englishmen who are willing to play are asked to send their names to

J. G. MEYER

P. O. Box 300.

Bowls will be available for those who have none. Teams will be published on Wednesday November 20.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

The undersigned have received instructions from The Acting Custodian of Property to sell by Public Auction on

Thursday, the 7th November, 1946

commencing at 10.00 a.m.

at their Auction Rooms, Pedder Building, Basement

145 LOTS OF MISCELLANEOUS GOODS, comprising:

Bolts and Nuts,
Iron Screw Nails,
Cotton Pins,
Flat, Triangular, Square, Semi-circular and Round Files,
Spanners,
Clamps,
Chisels,
Screw Drivers,
Saw Frames and Blades,
Hammers,
Water Taps and Pipe Fittings,
Washers and Spring Washers,
Can Openers,
Football Pumps,
Brass Door and Window Accessories,
Bicycle and Tricycle Accessories,
Emery Cloth,
Sand Paper,
Rubble Compound Sheets,
Grindstones,
Piano Wire,
Dyes,
Grease and Oils,
Etc., Etc., Etc.

The Sui Bun For Godown, West Point, where the goods are stored, will be open to inspection on the 5th and 6th November 1946, between 10.00 a.m. and noon, and between 2.00 p.m. and 4.00 p.m.

Inspection Permits will be issued by the Undersigned at their Auction Rooms.

The Auction is subject to the Conditions of Sale published in the 9th March 1946, issue of the Gazette.

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PUBLIC AUCTION

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on Friday, the 8th November 1946 commencing at 2.30 pm.

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A Fine Collection of Valuable Household Furniture Comprising:—

Teakwood bed room suite, dining tables, sideboards, glass cabinets, dining chairs, chest of drawers, wardrobes, bedsteads, divans, office chair, office desks, book cases, steel index cabinet, lacquer cabinet, mirrors, blackwood furniture, chest of drawers, inverted light carpet, rugs, wooden clothing, coffee set, wine glasses, cutlery and kitchen utensils, etc., etc., etc.

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1 Frigidaire

On View from Wednesday, the 8th November 1946

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An Old Legend Disposed Of

Lake Success, N.Y., Nov. 4. Before the Trusteeship Council, General Jan Smuts, South African Prime Minister, presented his country's case for mandate over former German colonies in Africa.

He declared that after consultation with the inhabitants of Southwest Africa, which indicated that the vast majority "was in favour of their community becoming part of the Union," he was authorised to make the following statement:

"The Union Government has deemed it incumbent on them to consult the people of Southwest Africa, European and non-European alike, regarding the form which their own future Government should take. On the basis of those consultations and having regard to the unique circumstances which so significantly differentiate Southwest Africa, it is the intention of the Union Government at the forthcoming session of the United Nations General Assembly to formulate its case for assuming Southwest Africa as a status under which it would be internationally recognised as part of the Union."

General Smuts averred that the "record of statements made by the Union Government at San Francisco, in London and Geneva is sufficient refutation of the allegation made by the delegate from the Ukraine that the Union Government's item on the agenda had been sprung on the Assembly as a surprise."

General Smuts reported that the results of the consultation showed 208,850 of the non-European population were in favour of joining the Union, with 33,329 against, while 56,790 could not be counted, since they were made up in most part of persons scattered across the farms of the territory.

Living Improved

Referring to the attacks on the Government of the Union of South Africa in a recent meeting of the General Committee for bringing its case on behalf of the people of Southwest Africa before the Assembly, General Smuts said: "In a number of instances affecting the interests of those who have criticised our action in placing this item on the agenda, territories have been annexed, or incorporated, without any such consultation of the wishes of the population."

He concluded his address by pointing out the improvements in living conditions and circumstances obtained by the inhabitants of Southwest Africa during the time they have been under the mandate of the Government of the Union of South Africa.

British Agreements

Following General Smuts, Britain's Parliamentary Secretary for Colonies, Mr. Ivor Thomas, explained Britain's trusteeship agreements concerning Tanganyika and Cameroons. He said: "The British delegation was astonished to learn from Mr. Molotov's speech to the General Assembly last week that he was so ill-informed on this subject. He declared that after nearly two years not a single step had been taken by mandatory powers (towards setting up a Trusteeship Council). So far as Great Britain is concerned, every step was taken. "We were the first to publish any draft terms of trusteeship. We have kept the text of our trusteeship agreements open, however, until the last possible moment in order to meet any suggestions made to us by other Governments or delegations. No comments whatever have been addressed to us by the Soviet Government on our texts, which have lain unacknowledged in a pigeonhole in Moscow for almost ten months."

No Standardisation

"So far, indeed, the main contribution which the Soviet Government has made towards the establishment of a trusteeship system has been effectively to prevent any examination of these texts between the two parts of this session."

Mr. Thomas said different people might have drafted these trusteeship documents differently. "I hope the Assembly in considering these texts will avoid the temptation of standardisation for standardisation's sake."

Legend Disposed

He said the particulars of the Charter dealing with trusteeship was the product of modern British policy. "Such facts are often overlooked in that favourite international pastime of baiting the British Lion," he added. "I confidently claim that the fundamental freedoms are

Sabotage In Soviet Zone

Hamburg, Nov. 4. Sabotage is believed to be at the root of the series of fires which have lately broken out in factories in Saxony, in the Soviet Zone of Germany.

Fires occurred in factories nationalised after the recent plebiscite on the confiscation of Nazi property.

Anti-Fascist Parties and German trade unions have issued a call for "war by all means" on saboteurs.

"Reactionaries to whom these factories belonged are now using Fascist elements to destroy plants which have become the property of the people," their appeal said.—Reuter.

Irgun Boasts Of Embassy Bombing

London, Nov. 4. A communique purporting to come from the Jewish terrorist organisation Irgun Zvai Leumi, and admitting responsibility for damaging by bombs of the British Embassy in Rome on Thursday, has been received by American news correspondents here today.

The document itself, which was sent through the post, was undated but the envelope bore the Roman postal stamp and the date Nov. 2.

The communique said the bomb attack on the British Embassy marked the opening of the "Jewish military front" against what was described as British oppression in lands outside Palestine.

The Rome Radio said tonight that the spokesman of the British Embassy refused to express an opinion on the authenticity of the document sent to American correspondents until it had been possible to compare it with earlier communications issued by Irgun Zvai Leumi.

The broadcaster added that enclosed with the document was a map of Palestine with the drawing of an arm holding a rifle over the areas claimed by Zionists.

Letter To Premier

The Rome Radio further said that in a letter to Signor de Gasperi, Italian Premier, the Irgun Zvai Leumi acknowledged its responsibility for the attack on the British Embassy.

"With the present statement," the letter was said to continue, "it is our intention to attract the attention of noble Italian people to the causes which have forced us to take this step."

After saying that Irgun Zvai Leumi comprised all political trends the letter continued: "Faced by degradation, Jews await their return to the attractive garden transformed from a desert by the toil of Jews who migrated there in past decades."

The letter asked for understanding of the Italian people, whom Irgun Zvai Leumi hoped to "count along her Allies" in the Jewish peoples' establishment of themselves into an independent state.

Meanwhile it was announced here today that new investigations into the bomb outrage have resulted in the arrest of a man stated to be a Slav.

This brings the total number of persons arrested up to 15.—Reuter.

Palestine Tension High

Jerusalem, Nov. 5. Tension is high in Northern Palestine, according to police reports, but there are no immediate signs of a recurrence of Sunday's Jew-Arab clashes in which three Arabs and two Jews were killed and nine others injured.

Elsewhere in Palestine only minor incidents were reported and the situation generally was quiet as Moslems celebrated the feast of Arafah.

Hundreds of lambs and sheep were being sacrificed as a traditional part of the feast. A small mine exploded under a train at Battir, near Jerusalem, early yesterday but did no damage. Another mine was found in the tracks nearby, Associated Press.

GREEK ECONOMICS IN A MESS

Athens, Nov. 4. The financial and economic position of Greece is today uneasy. Expenditure is roughly double revenue. Already since the start of the budget year in April, revenue is less than was hoped for and expenditure more than anticipated. The prospect of inflation is again assuming large proportions and some experts say they cannot see how that unwelcome process can be avoided unless the unexpected happens. They admit, however, that the unexpected may yet happen.

Strenuous efforts are being made to maintain confidence in the drachma which has remained steady since February, largely as a result of British financial support.

If there is inflation in Greece the consequences, particularly for the poorer people who have suffered so much as a result of the war, will be severe. Observers believe that the economic position can be improved and maintained only if there are better inducements made to men of ability to join the civil service on some basis of security of employment and a speedy improvement of transportation by sea, road and rail.

The main immediate difficulty in improving standards and conditions of the civil service is that if salaries are increased there will be a general clamour throughout the country for higher wages and if there is a wholesale raising of the level of salaries and wages and, as at present, limited goods and commodities, market prices will rise and the first step towards inflation will have been taken.

Greece's policy at present, therefore, is to get goods and commodities into the country and maintain salaries and wages at their present level.

Britain is helping her wartime ally in doing this.

Agricultural machinery and clothing worth £500,000 has been bought by the Greek Government against sterling credits held in London.

The position of sea transportation is steadily improving. It would be further improved by the opening of the Corinth Canal which was blocked by the Germans in their retreat from Greece.

But money is lacking for that project. As far as railways are concerned Greek workers are doing a splendid job. The partly opened line from Athens serving the greater part of Peloponnese is expected to be completely reopened in a few weeks' time. But it is estimated that the reopening of the other main line from Athens to Salonika will take two years.—Reuter.

Five Thousand Dead In Communal Riots

London, Nov. 4. Mr. Arthur Henderson, Under-Secretary for India, told the House of Commons today that the total number of persons killed and injured in communal riots between July 1 and Oct. 30 in India, was estimated at 5,018 and 13,320 respectively, exclusive of casualties in the recent disturbances in Eastern Bengal.

He said the major part of both these figures was attributable to disturbances in Calcutta, including the very serious riots last August, the figures for which, he said, were admittedly only approximate.

No estimate was yet available for the riots in Eastern Bengal but it was thought the number killed would be in three figures.

Since Oct. 30 there had been further rioting in Bihar where the total death toll since the riots began on Oct. 25 was estimated at 270.

Under Control

Replying to Mr. Richard Butler, who asked for a full statement on the riots in Eastern Bengal, Mr. Henderson replied that he had received further reports from the Governor of Bengal the substance of which he said was as follows:

"The general situation in Eastern Bengal is under control in both Noakhali and Tippera districts and reports do not indicate that the hooligan bands are any longer operating. No serious incident has been reported on Noakhali mainland since Oct. 10, nor in Tippera district since Oct. 20. Some trouble, developed on Sandwip island between Oct. 19 and 23 with cases of arson, looting and murder. Some panic developed among the population and troops were sent to the island. The situation there has since improved."

There was recently a communal riot in Mymensingh district, further north, in which two were killed and three houses burned and five looted. The situation

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WAY CLEAR FOR MOVE ON FRANCO

Lake Success, Nov. 5. The Security Council yesterday, by a unanimous vote, struck the Spanish case from the agenda, thus opening the way for General Assembly action on the Franco regime.

The Polish delegate, Dr. Oscar Lange, proposing to the Council tonight that the Spanish question should be deleted from the agenda, said a number of records on the subject had been accumulated and suggested all such documents be placed at the disposal of the General Assembly.

If the Council decided to delete the Spanish question, Dr. Lange said, it would not affect in any way Security Council rights and privileges. "Whenever any member of the Council wants to raise the matter, he will always be free to do so," he said.

Brazil and Australia declared they would vote in favour of the Polish resolution.

The United States, France, Russia, Mexico and Britain also supported it.

The Council finally unanimously agreed to delete the Spanish question from its agenda.

Until this had been done the General Assembly had been unable to take any action on resolutions to break off diplomatic relations with Spain.—Associated Press and Reuter.

It Pained Them

Stockholm, Nov. 5. Prime Minister Tage Erlander told the Stockholm newspaper "Dnningen" yesterday that the Swedish Government will investigate the circumstances of the reported sale of \$63,000 worth of material from the Finnish Intelligence Service to Sweden.

The newspaper "Dagens Nyheter" said the Sweden purchase originally involved radio and decoding devices and that the appearance of secret intelligence files, including Russian codes, came as a "painful surprise" to the Swedish authorities.

"How is it that the Swedish Defence authorities permitted a transaction like this?" asked the "Dagens Nyheter," and suggested that the former Swedish Defence Minister explain to Parliament.—Associated Press.

Newcastle Hosts To Latvian Exiles

Newcastle, Nov. 4. Seventeen Latvians who crossed the North Sea in a motorboat and nearly lost their lives in doing so are the subject of a question in the House of Commons tomorrow.

The Conservative Member, Mr. L. B. Gamman, will ask the Home Secretary, Mr. Chuter Ede, what is to become of the Latvians who are at present in a public assistance institution in Newcastle.

The Latvians, all young men, aged from 20 to 30, including a seven-foot giant, told immigration officials that they are sea-faring men who left Latvia because they feared the Russians would deport them to Russia.

Separately they made their way to Sweden where they met in Gothenburg. Here they heard the Russians had applied to the Swedish Government for their extradition. Instead of waiting for the Swedish reply the Latvians set out in a 40-foot motorboat which they stocked with food, intending to make their way to London with Peterhead as their first port of call. But a North Sea gale battered the boat and the engine went out of action and for more than a day they had to bale water out of the boat.

After drifting for three days in the North Sea they were at last picked up by a fishing boat off Northumberland and towed into the tiny port of Seahouses. Until their future is decided they will be lodged in Newcastle's public institution at Elswick Grange.

An institution official said tonight: "They have not given us the slightest trouble since they came here and I do not think they want to leave us. They are all big strong fellows and willing workers and they spend their time doing odd jobs about the grounds. The only trouble is that we cannot speak to them. None of them speaks any other language than Latvian."—Reuter.

Peace For Keeps Objective

New York, Nov. 5. Mrs. Wellington Koo, wife of the Chinese Ambassador to the United States, said today at the opening of the annual Women's International Exposition of Arts and Industries that "peace for keeps" must be the objective of the world. "It may be safely said that the women of other lands will look to the women of America to continue to win the peace as we have won the war."

Mrs. Koo described the United Nations as the "realisation of mankind for a better and happier world."—Associated Press.

NAZI SCIENTISTS IN BRITAIN

London, Nov. 4. Since the occupation of Germany, 63 German scientists and technicians have been brought to Britain for employment, none compulsorily. Mr. John Hynd, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, gave these figures in reply to a question in the House of Commons today.—Reuter.

Tehran, Nov. 5. The Prime Minister of Persia, Quavam es Sultani, officially notified the Ministry of Interior yesterday that the Iranian elections will start on Dec. 7.—Associated Press.

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FOREIGN MINISTERS GATHER IN PESSIMISTIC ATMOSPHERE

New York, Nov. 4.
The Big Four Foreign Ministers began their third conference in the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel today in an atmosphere in which the differences between the Soviet Union and the Western powers have been sharpened rather than eased by the recent Paris Conference.
Today's meeting, intended to begin the final phase in the drafting of the five peace treaties, finds the Big Four placed squarely before a series of problems in which every normal outlet for diplomatic compromise is apparently blocked in advance by the policy statements made in Paris.

Brutal Assault On Nurse

London, Nov. 3.
For conduct which the prosecution said showed "horrifying brutality and cowardice," two R.A.F. men were punished at Aylesbury Assizes.

The pair, George Jenkins, aged 21, and Christopher Cook, aged 18, both aircraftmen, stationed at Halton Camp, Bucks, were found not guilty of improperly assaulting Miss Barbara Joyce Hart, a young R.A.F. nursing sister, but guilty of causing her bodily harm.

Sentencing Jenkins to two years' imprisonment and Cook to 18 months, Mr. Justice Wrottesley observed:

"It would not be possible to have nurses to R.A.F. stations if young ruffians like you behaved in the disgraceful manner in which you did. I hope others will learn that they cannot do this sort of thing to young women."

Miss Hart, now stationed at an R.A.F. camp, Ely, gave evidence that on July 7 she was posted from London to Halton. Her train arrived at Wendover about midnight and she started to walk to the sisters' mess at he camp.

Running And Shouting

"When I got near the mess I heard the sound of running feet, and two men shouting behind me," Miss Hart continued. "Then an arm was placed round my head and face, and I was pulled backward to the ground. I was gagged with a handkerchief, and received blows to the face."

"I cried out, and was told: 'Shut up, or we'll kill you.' I saw there were two men there. One gripped my throat practically the whole time, and I had more blows to the face and head."

Miss Hart said the whole affair lasted about a quarter of an hour. Then one man persuaded the other to let her go, and helped her to pick up her things.

She was given a handkerchief to wipe the blood off her face. Both men assisted her to the sisters' mess, where one said he was sorry. Both had been drinking, but she did not think they were drunk.

Medical evidence was given that Miss Hart's right eye was blackened and the other injured. Her mouth was bruised and cut on the inside. She was detained for three weeks in hospital.

Sergeant Long stated that Cook was single and a native of South Shields. He was fined 10s at Aylesbury in June, 1946, for being drunk and disorderly.

Fopped Attention

Dealing with this conviction, Sergeant Long said that Cook got into a compartment of a train at Aylesbury in which a young married woman was alone. She was an expectant mother, but he attempted to force his attentions on her.

She changed carriages, but he followed her when she left the train at Wendover, and continued to do so after she had complained at a British Legion club and a member was walking with her.

There was an argument between Cook and this man, which ended in Cook hitting him over the head with a beer bottle.

Jenkins, who joined the R.A.F. in 1945, was a native of Birmingham, and had a wife and two children still living there. He was brought up by his step-mother, who had refused to have anything to do with him owing to his criminal habits.

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BRITAIN AND CZECHS

London, Nov. 5. A Foreign Office spokesman said yesterday that Britain had suspended action on a £2,600,000 credit to Czechoslovakia after consultations with America. American State Department officials announced last month that the Export-Import Bank had been asked to suspend negotiations for a \$50,000,000 credit to Czechoslovakia. Both American and British credits were to have taken the form of surplus war material. —Associated Press.

N.Y. Stock Exchange

New York, Nov. 4. The stock market closed irregularly higher in spite of losing much of the afternoon's gains. Most steel, automobile, rubber, merchandising, and farm implement shares rose a dollar or more, and railroads closed irregularly lower. Metal, petroleum and chemical issues were irregular and utilities, which were the day's most active group, were irregularly higher.

The Dow Jones Averages: Stocks 63.86, 20 Industrial 174.40, 15 Rails 51.10, 10 Utilities 36.41. Closing quotations: Adams Express 16 1/4, Alaska 1/4, American Can 27 1/4, American Smelting 52 1/4, American Telephone 168 1/4, American Waterworks 17 1/4, American Tobacco 32, Anaconda Copper 39 1/4, Aviation Corporation 7 1/4, Baldwin Locomotive 21 1/4, Barnsdall 24 1/4, Bendix Aviation 33 1/4, Bethlehem Steel 95 1/4, Boeing Aircraft 22, Borden Co. 49, Canadian Pacific 13 1/4, J. I. Case 37, Colgate 50 1/4, Commercial Solvents 21 1/4, Corn Products 60, Dupont 17 1/4, Eastman Kodak 22 1/4, Electric Light & Power 17 1/4, General Electric 37 1/4, General Motors 53 1/4, Goodrich 67 1/4, Goodyear 60, Homestake Mining 41 1/4, International Harvester 73 1/4, International Paper 45 1/4, International Tel. & Tel. 17 1/4, Johns-Manville 123 1/4, Connecticut Copper 4 1/4, Montgomery Ward 68 1/4, National Distillers 20 1/4, National Lead 30 1/4, New York Central 17 1/4, Packard Motors 7 1/4, Pan-American Airways 14 1/4, Pennsylvania RR 28 1/4, Radio Corporation 11, Reynolds Tobacco 40 1/4, Schenley 61 1/4, Republic Steel 28 1/4, Sears Roebuck 61 1/4, Shell Oil 30 1/4, Socony Vacuum 45 1/4, Southern Pacific 45 1/4, Standard Brands 33 1/4, Standard Oil of Calif. 55, Standard Oil of N.J. 69, Standard Oil of Ind. 57 1/4, U.S. Steel 74 1/4, Union Carbide 20 1/4, Union Carbide 92 1/4, Westinghouse 25 1/4, Youngstown Sheet & Tube 66 1/4. —Associated Press.

London Stock Exchange

London, Nov. 4. The Stock Exchange was generally quiet but some appreciable improvements were recorded in domestic issues, in which gilt-edged and home rails were prominent. In the former, rises up to 4 were recorded with the exception of Consols 2 1/4 which lost 1/16th. Home rails are showing appreciable improvement and junior preference issues are now meeting support in addition to debentures and guarantees. Industrials were quiet but breweries were inclined to be prominent while motors were dull, following the announcement by Vauxhall Motors that production will be drastically curtailed as a result of steel shortage. Oils showed minor general improvement and Kaffirs were generally steady with not much business being done. Among foreigners, Japanese bonds registered small improvement, mainly on speculation connected with hopes of a trade revival.

Consols, 2 1/4 per cent 1946/75 99 7/16, Conversion Loan, 3 1/4 per cent 114 1/2, War Loan, 3 1/4 per cent 107 13/16, New War Loan, 3 per cent 108 1/4, Victory Bonds, 4 per cent 122 1/2, Saving Bonds, 3 1/2 1955/65 107 1/2, Saving Bonds, 3 1/2 1960/70 109 1/2, Saving Bonds, 3 1/2 1965/75 110 1/2, German Loan, 7 per cent (Dawes) 10 1/2, Japanese Bonds, 5 per cent 1907 20 1/2, Canton-Kowloon Railway, 24, Tientsin-Pukow Railway, 5 per cent 20 1/2, Lung-Tung U. H. R. 5 per cent 1912 24, Reorg. Loan, 5 per cent 1913 (London Iss) 47, Crisp Loan, 5 per cent 1911 26, Honan Railway, 5 per cent 1905 32 1/2, Shanghai-Nanking Railway, 5 per cent 26, Mercantile Bank of India, 1907 20 1/2, Chartered Bank of India, 1907 20 1/2, C. 11-11/16, S. K. Shanghai Banking Corporation 84 1/2, Lydenburg Estates 100 1/2, South Africa Townships 20 1/2, Selection Trust 42 1/2, South Africa, Torbanites 11 1/2, Canadian Pacific 18, Mexican Eagles 18 1/2. —Reuter.

New York Exchanges

New York, Nov. 4. American 4 1/4, Sterling 4 1/4, 4.03 1/2, American 4 1/4, Sterling 3 Months 4.03 1/2, 4.03 1/2, On Sweden 27.82, 27.82, France 84, 84 1/4, Switzerland (Official) 24.00, 24.25, Switzerland (Free) 24.70, 24.90, Spain 9.35 offered, Portugal 4.04 1/2, 4.06 1/2, Australia 3.32 1/2, New Zealand 2.25, South Africa 4.03 1/2, British East Africa 20.30, India 40.30, China 32.50, Argentina (Official) 29.77, Argentina (Free) 24.50, 24.58, Brazil 5.46, Bolivia (Official) 2.00, Bolivia (Free) 2.23, Chile (Official) 5.10, Chile (Free) 3.25, Chile (Export) 4.00, Colombia 56.98, Cuba 100, Ecuador 7.60, Guatemala 100, Holland 37.78, Mexico 20.67, 20.61, Peru 15.50 offered, Uruguay 69.00, 69.50, Venezuela 29.50, Netherlands India 6.05, Dutch Guiana 3.35, Montreal 4.00, 4.02, Montreal on New York 95.500, Swiss Bank Notes 2.22, 2.20, 33.00, Belgium Franc 2.28, 2.28 1/2. —Reuter.

BOMBAY SILVER & GOLD

Bombay, Nov. 4. Rupee Annas 150 00, per 100 tolas Silver, Ready 140 00, Silver, Forward 140 00, Gold Delivery 98 00, per tola Gold Forward 80 04, per tola Sovereigns 60 12, Each. —Reuter.

CHICAGO GRAINS

Chicago, Nov. 4. Additional purchases of cash wheat for export by the Commodity Credit Corporation created the buying of bread cereal futures. Gains ranged from more than 2 cents at times. Wheat finished 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 cents higher, January \$2.09 1/2, March \$2.01 1/2, May \$1.95 1/2. Corn was unchanged to 1/4 higher, January \$1.34 1/2-1 1/2, Oats 1/4 to 1 1/2 cents higher, November 85 1/2. —Associated Press.

LONDON DISCOUNT RATES

London, Nov. 4. Day to Day Loan, 1/2 per cent, Short Money, 1/2 to 1 1/2, Bank Bills, 3 Months 1/2 1/2, Bank Bills, 6 Months 1/2 1/2, to 1 1/2, Fine Trade Bills, 3 Months 1/2 to 1 1/2, Fine Trade Bills, 6 Months 1/2 to 1 1/2, Treasury Bills, 2 Months 1/2 to 1 1/2, Treasury Bills, 3 Months 1/2 to 1 1/2. —Reuter.

The Government has decided to restore private trading in rubber and permit re-establishment of the London rubber market.

This was announced in the House of Commons today by the Secretary for Overseas Trade, Professor Marquand.

The market will be free to resume its normal activities on Nov. 18. This will enable private traders to import rubber as from Jan. 1, at which date the Board of Trade will cease to purchase rubber. The text of the Minister's statement reads:

"The Government has given careful consideration to the future purchasing arrangements for rubber in accordance with the statement of the Lord President on March 28, in the course of a debate on the closing of the Liverpool Cotton Market, that the case of each primary product would be examined on its merits."

"The main world market for rubber was, before the war, in London. The rubber in which it dealt was largely from sterling sources, but the greater part of its transactions related to rubber for consumption elsewhere than in this country. At the same time sales in this country were distributed over many different industries."

"After considering all the circumstances the Government have decided to restore private trade in rubber and to permit re-establishment of the London rubber market."

"These decisions follow on the rapid improvement in natural rubber supplies during the past few months. Supplies in the Far East have exceeded all expectations and in particular it is encouraging that the Malayan rubber industry has grown rapidly despite several years of Japanese occupation. Consequently the period of continuing shortage of natural rubber has not been as prolonged as was generally expected, and at their meeting in Washington in October the Combined Rubber Committee agreed that international allocation should cease as from the end of this year. There have been discussions between appropriate departments and the Rubber Trade Association of London so as to allow effective functioning of the market under conditions of exchange control and so as to limit as far as possible undesirable speculative financial transactions under cover of the market."

"When it was suggested that this scheme might well serve as a pattern in due course for other commodities, Professor Marquand replied: 'We shall watch the development of the scheme with great interest and I hope that forecast will be correct.'"

"When he was asked if, in view of the sharp fall in prices of raw cotton, he would immediately remove all controls from manufactured cotton goods and allow the law of supply and demand freely to operate both in cash and in futures dealings, the Minister replied briefly: 'No.'"

"Professor Marquand told the House that talks for an expansion of trade between the Soviet Union and Britain have opened—Reuter.

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NEW GREEK CABINET

Athens, Nov. 4.
A new Greek Cabinet was sworn in by the King today under the Royalist Premier Constantinos Tsaldaris.

Earlier a last minute hitch in the Cabinet reshuffle had been reported with the Premier encountering difficulties in the final distribution of portfolios.

The Ministers of Defence, Public Order and Labour in the last Cabinet are not included in the new Government. The Ministers retaining their posts in the Cabinet are Constantinos Tsaldaris, Prime Minister and Foreign Affairs; Stefan Stephanopoulos, Economic Coordination; Demetrios Helmis, Finance; Panos Hatzipanos, Justice; Stylianos Gonatas, Public Works; A. Papadimitriou, Transport; Antonios Papadimitriou, Agriculture; Nicholas Avramis, Merchant Navy; Athanasios Peritis, Posts and Telegraphs.

This third Tsaldaris Government since the March elections has been formed after two weeks negotiations. Of the ten "unshuffled" Ministers eight are members of the Tsaldaris Populist Party, while the remaining two—Merchant Navy and Public Works—are National Liberals.

The Ministry of Defence has been split up into three services—War, Navy and Air, the War Minister, going to Philippe Dragomiris, former Secretary for Foreign Affairs and the Air Ministry to Aristide Protopapadakis.

Panayotis Kantzias has become Minister of Supplies, replacing Dimitrios Stephanopoulos. Minis Etsandanos has replaced George Lazaras as Minister of Welfare and Antonios Kakarais is the new Minister of Health in place of L. Kalandzakis. Panos Hatzipanos, the Royalist Minister of Justice who retains his post, has also provisionally assumed the post of Under-Secretary of the Presidency of the Council. The holder of this appointment, G. Paravantis, resigned.—Reuter.

JAPAN'S CONSTITUTION

Kure, Nov. 5.
Japan's constitution, which came into force on Sunday and which limits the power of the Emperor and renounces war, was proclaimed in Hiroshima, Atom City Number One, at the Gokoku shrine, 300 yards from where the atom bomb which wiped out the city, exploded.

From a platform surrounded by fallen stone pillars of the shrine, a message from Lieutenant-General Hara C. H. Robertson, Commander-in-Chief of the British Commonwealth Occupation Forces, telling the people it was deeds not words which counted if they wanted to get a democratic government, was read in English and Japanese.—Reuter.

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MURDER?

Berlin, Nov. 4.
The bodies of a British officer and a German girl were found in Brunswick yesterday on the western outskirts of the British sector of Berlin.

The name of the officer, who, it is understood, was attached to the Control Commission, will not be disclosed until the next-of-kin has been informed.

The man and girl had been shot twice with a revolver and murder is suspected.—Reuter.

Stalin To Speak?

London, Nov. 5.
A new pronouncement by Generalissimo Stalin is expected within the next 48 hours. Interest in the speech will be more than usually high in the present state of international relations with the Big Four Foreign Ministers in conference in New York, simultaneously with the sessions of the United Nations Assembly.

The 25th anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution of October 25, 1917, falls (owing to the change in the Russian calendar) on Thursday November 7. For many years it has been customary for Stalin to address the Soviet people on the eve of the anniversary.

The only notable break in this routine was last year when Stalin was convalescing in South Russia and Foreign Minister, Molotov took his place at the customary Red Square parade.

Stalin has since resumed his active functions in the Kremlin. Although annually, expected and delivered, speeches by Stalin are never announced in advance. The time most frequently chosen has been in the early evening, Moscow time.—Reuter.

Sino-U.S. Treaty To Be A Model

Nanking, Nov. 5.
Informed quarters expect the new treaty signed here yesterday to serve as a model for China's postwar agreements with other nations.

Foreign Office sources said that treaties would soon be negotiated with Britain and France, which are likely to follow the form of the pact with the United States, on friendship, commerce and navigation.

Negotiations were started last February and the treaty was conceived in English, then translated into Chinese.

Anders Buys An Irish Estate

London, Nov. 5.
Reliable Polish circles here state that General Wladyslaw Anders, former Commander of the Polish Second Corps, has acquired an estate in Northern Ireland and is retiring.

They assert that General Anders demanded that the Polish Re-settlement Corps should be open not only to Polish soldiers who had fought with the British forces but also to soldiers of the campaign of 1939 who had since been prisoners of war in Germany, and to former fighters of the Underground "Home Army", who have since escaped from Poland.

The British authorities, the reports claim, could not agree to these suggestions as the Re-settlement Corps had been formed strictly on the basis of an obligation incurred by the British wartime government to Polish soldiers fighting with British forces. Any extension, and particularly the inclusion of more recent refugees from Poland would have given the Re-settlement Corps a political character which, although frequently alleged from Warsaw, was not the intention of the British Government.

No confirmation or denial of this version of the conflict could be obtained tonight from the War Office. It is reinforced, however, by the personal background of General Stanislaw Kopanski, the highest Polish officer concerned in the organisation of the Corps.

He has the reputation of being a "non-political officer", and it is recalled that after the death of General Sikorski, he had been suggested by Mikolajczyk and other moderate leaders in London as an alternative to the Right Wing General Sosnkowski for the position of commander-in-chief.

No figures about recruitment to the Corps are officially available but all evidence is that it is slower than had been anticipated. Reluctance to join is chiefly due not to political motives but to eagerness of many ex-soldiers to leave military discipline and camp life behind them after seven years and to return to civilian life without intermediate stages.—Reuter.

N.Z. BACKS BRITAIN

Auckland, Nov. 5.
The New Zealand Finance Minister, Mr. Walter Nash, declared today that New Zealand was determined to help Britain to regain her pre-war position, even at the risk of endangering the Dominion's good will with the United States and Canada.

He said under a four-year agreement all surplus products are now going to Britain to the limit of her requirements.

Chadwick, in the past, had been a fairly good buyer of New Zealand primary products but if Britain now wanted goods there would not be much left for Canada.—Reuter.

Unsatisfied With Purge

Frankfurt, Nov. 4.
General Lucius Clay, deputy Military Governor of the United States Military Zone of Germany, told a press conference today that he was not satisfied with the results of "de-Nazification" in the United States Zone.

He said he was satisfied with the technical procedure adopted, but not with the results of the purge, especially in Bavaria. The United States Military Government would not, he said, hesitate to take over "de-Nazification" again if the Germans showed themselves incapable of doing it.

"De-Nazification" will be the chief subject of the conference with the State Councils in the United States Zone tomorrow.

General Clay also announced that he will leave on Friday for New York to assist the Secretary of State, Mr. James Byrnes, as specialist on occupation affairs during discussions on Germany by the Council of Foreign Ministers.

He said that information on the removal of German workers to Russia, requested from the Soviet authorities, had not yet been received.

The Allied Control Council's Coordinating Committee is expected to reply today to the four-point questionnaire designed to find out how many German technicians have been removed from the Soviet Zone and the Soviet sector of Berlin.—Reuter.

Trans-World Airline Strike

Washington, Nov. 5.
Federal mediator Frank P. Douglas said that the opposing sides in the 15 days-old strike of Trans-World Airline pilots have accepted in principle his proposal for arbitration.

Douglas told reporters he expects the walkout to end as soon as representatives of the company and the Pilots' Union clarify a few points.

He said representatives of the Airline and the Union would meet in his office to complete the details of the arbitration agreement. This proposed agreement would provide that the 1,400 pilots go back to flying while the demands for higher pay for four-engine plane pilots and for revised working rules are submitted to a panel whose decision would be binding.

Trans-World Airline officials have said that some flying operations along the company's 23,000 miles of routes could be started as soon as the pilots agreed to system back to normal. Associated Press.

DE TASSIGNY IN ENGLAND

London, Nov. 4.
During his five-day visit to England—he arrives at Dover tomorrow afternoon—General Latrille de Tassigny, Chief of Staff of the French Army, will see how Britain's peacetime army is training.

In addition to having consultations with the Chief of the Imperial General Staff, Field Marshal Lord Montgomery, General de Tassigny will visit the Staff College and the Royal Military Academy and the Parachute Training School. On Nov. 8 the General will visit the School of Air Support at Salisbury.—Reuter.

SPORTS SECTION POMPEY'S CLAIM TO FEE JUSTIFIED

(By Vernon Morgan)

He Spika Da English

London, Nov. 4.
British sports writers, too astonished to look at Joe Baksi's shoulders, today cocked an admiring ear at his grammar and concluded that the former Pennsylvania coal miner was a Gene Tunney in the making.

Casting local pride to the winds they gave the British welterweight champion, Freddy Mills, only an outside chance of beating Baksi when they meet in a scheduled 15 round non-title match tomorrow night—Guy Fawkes night.

Baksi, who did not get around to school until he was ten, speaks the King's English "remarkably well for an American," one writer said.

"He does not use wisecracks or the idioms characteristic of American boxers who visit this country," reported another.

Along with his Tunney-like qualities Joe weighs 212 pounds. That is at least 23 more than Mills. A lot of it is in his shoulders and forearms.—Associated Press.

REMEMBRANCE DAY MATCH

The following have been chosen to represent the Rest of the Colony against United Services in the Charity Football game on Monday, Nov. 11 on the Club ground at 3.30 p.m.

Tom Kwan-kon (South China); Hau Yung-sank (Sing Tao); Tse Kam-hung (South China); Lau Chung-sung (Sing Tao); K. Forrow (Club); Hui King-seng (Sing Tao); B. Gosano (St. Joseph's); Fung King-cheung (Sing Tao); Lee Wai-long (South China); Chau Man-chi (South China); and Lee Shek-yau (South China).

Reserves: Yui Kai-yan (C.A.S.C.); Cheuk Shek-kam (Kwong Wah); Fook Yui-wah (Eastern); Chan Tak-fat (South China); Stevens (Dockyard); Collico (Police); and Leung Wing-chui (South China).

Tourists In Switzerland

London, Nov. 4.
Explaining the conflicting Swiss and British estimates of the total amount spent since March this year by British tourists in Switzerland, a spokesman of the Treasury today told Reuters that the Swiss figure, apparently, had been calculated by multiplying the number of British tourists entering Switzerland by 475—the amount a British tourist is entitled to take out of Britain in one year.

The Treasury figure is the exact amount spent, since many tourists do not spend the full allowance on one journey. The Treasury figure is £3,000,000, while reports reaching London from Switzerland put the total at between £4,000,000 and £8,000,000.

The Treasury spokesman emphasised that the balance of payments between Britain and Switzerland is about level (even including tourist traffic).

It is Swiss trade with which the sterling area which has caused the sterling area deficit recently estimated at about £8,000,000. Black market currency transactions will it appears, be the major item for discussion during the coming Anglo-Swiss financial discussions.—Reuter.

FOREIGN CAPITAL AND TURKEY

Istanbul, Nov. 4.
The Turkish Minister of Finance, Halit Nazim Kilicli, stated today that the Turkish Government would allow foreign concerns working in Turkey to take out of the country all earnings realised by their investments.

This typifies the new trend in Turkish financial policy, under which it is stated that foreign capital will be welcomed to speed up Turkey's economic development and industrialisation.—Reuter.

London, Nov. 4.
The Bavarian Government has taken over Hitler's mountain chalet, Berghof, near Berchtesgaden as an agricultural college, the Soviet-controlled Leipzig radio reported today.—Reuter.

Mr. Percy Harper, Chairman of Crystal Palace, went to Portsmouth over the week-end with a cheque for £1,250 for Guthrie and an apology for the allegations he made that Portsmouth were not entitled to the money.

Jack Tinn, Portsmouth manager, said: "I have been in this game long enough to know the rules and that Pompey's claim to the fee was right and justified. Isn't it odd, though, that all top-notchers of the Players Union have been on the move. Guthrie has come from Portsmouth to Crystal Palace, Portsmouth to Aston Villa to Derby County and Norman Low from Newport County to Norwich City."

Tinn also told an interesting story about Butler, his reserve goalkeeper, who made fine saves against Leeds United.

Butler, a Bath lad, signed just before the war for £100. During the war he played for Tranmere Rovers as guest Manager George May of Liverpool, became interested and asked Portsmouth how much they wanted for him. It was because of that inquiry that Portsmouth realised they might have a gem of a goalkeeper hiding his light under a bushel. So it has proved.

Butler is now to take his place permanently in the first team if and when Walker finishes. And Walker has ecclesiastical leanings.

England v. Wales

As was hinted after the Wrexham International, England and Wales came into the main road battle with unchanged teams. It may well be the deciding match of the series. It is curious though that while England were not entirely satisfactory at full back, left half and outside left, they have a wealth of inside talent.

Cartwright and Mannion are choices of the moment, but Jimmy Hagen is right back in form these days and Len Shackleton comes into the picture with his consistently brilliant work for Newcastle.

Then there is always Stan Mortensen. While at centre forward there are several players, Stubbs and Lofthouse among them, ready to step into Lawson's boots, should Tommy alter.

Close Match

England are tipped to win at Manchester, but it will be a very close thing and Wales can bring about a surprise if for 80 minutes they produce football of the calibre of their last half hour at Wrexham.

Two items of interest from Wolverhampton are that the international goalkeeper Williams may be on the move shortly, and that the Wolves players, Wright and Hancock, are on the fringe, will have trials with Worcester-shire County Cricket Club next summer.—Reuter.

Flood-Lit Football

At a meeting of the League Management Committee of the Hong Kong Football Association held last night it was decided to defer the question of flood-lit football to a later date. Several members present stated that enquiries made showed that the cost of installation at the present would be very high.

The explanation given by 44 Commando for failing to turn out for their game against Police was accepted and the match will be arranged at a later date. Commando had difficulty with transport arrangements on the date.

Captain Fowler informed the meeting that the Hong Kong Signal Corps would be losing a number of players in the near future and have requested permission to withdraw from the Second Division.

Permission was granted for the Signal Corps to withdraw and it was decided to invite 387 Signals Unit R.A.F. to continue with their fixtures.

The Hon. Secretary informed the meeting that His Excellency the Governor would be present at the game on Monday.

The following will represent Club "A" in a friendly Rugby game on Club ground this afternoon at 5.30 p.m. against H.M.S. Glory:—F.A. Waller; Owen; Dooker; I. McNay; S.E.P. Lewis; B. Berkeley; F.J.D. Clemo; D.P. Graham; D.J.L. McWhirter; R. McFann; N. Waide; A.G. Dalziel; A. Angus; A.J.G. Taylor; G.D. Sloss.

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Sweden Beat Sheffield U.

Sheffield, Nov. 4.
Sweden's footballers today scored a 5/2 win over Sheffield United, after leading 3/1 at half-time.

Sheffield attacked strongly on occasions and the Swedish goalkeeper made magnificent saves, but Sheffield's tactics often left big gaps in their defence and the visitors took full advantage.

Maintaining excellent formation they ran into a 3/0 lead. Just before the interval, Forbes scored Sheffield's first goal, and though Brook added one for Sheffield 17 minutes after the change-over, the Swedes scored two more goals before the final whistle.—Reuter.

England v. Wales

London, Nov. 4.
In a Rugby Football Union match today, Guy's Hospital lost to Neath by three points to 23.—Reuter.

No Football Strike

London, Nov. 4.
Though no agreement was reached on the maximum wage question at today's four-hour meeting between Football League representatives and the Players Union, it is understood that the latter's representatives were well satisfied with the negotiations.

Jimmy Guthrie said afterwards: "Everything went all right," while R. Stuart said: "We think we will get what we want from Jan. 1, but what has been decided has to go before the League clubs for ratification."

A statement issued after the meeting set out the Players' claims and the League's views on the claims which, according to League representatives, was sympathetic to the institution of a minimum wage and to the dating of agreements from August to August.

The League is prepared to discuss the implications of granting free transfers to players not offered a living wage and on the transfer list receiving some payment for the period when unsigned.

The Union Committee asked for a meeting of the League clubs before the end of January, 1947, to consider the questions so that decisions should operate as from Jan. 1, but the League expressed the opinion that a meeting be called before the end of February, but agreed to recommend any decisions then be operative from Jan. 1.

Friendly Spirit
The effect of the meeting and its decision is that there will be no football strike; for all points at issue were hammered out in a friendly atmosphere.

The meeting had been sponsored in the interests of industrial peace by the Minister of Labour and both parties approached it in a conciliatory spirit.

Mr. F. Howarth, League Secretary, said it was a most harmonious meeting conducted in a friendly spirit, while Mr. James Fay, the Players' Union secretary, said the greatest progress had been made and the Union representatives feel it had been well worth while.

An agreement was reached on all but four main points, including maximum wage. They are now recommending a £12 maximum, but it will go before the clubs. One big point was getting them to recommend a winter and 25 summer minimum for players over 20 years, he said.—Reuter.

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